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UNITED PRESS.

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3.30 O'CLOCK.

JAMESON'S MESS.

Kruger Will Let the British
Punish the Doctor.

GERMANY WANTS THE TRANS-
VAAL'S PRESIDENT TO AP-
PEAL TO EUROPEAN
POWERS TO GET HIS
DEMANDS.

Rhodes Knew of the Raid.
IS ALL AT CAPE TOWN.

To Abolish Capital Punishment.
BILL IN THE HOUSE.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—A dispatch from
Pretoria says that owing to the slowness
of the Uitlanders in delivering up their
arms the Transvaal government has issued
a proclamation declaring that unless
all arms be delivered up by 6 o'clock p. m.,
January 10, the defaulters will be dealt
with according to law. Those who com-
ply with the demands of the government
will be pardoned, excepting the leaders
who must suffer the penalty of their acts.

Germany Urges Appeal.
A dispatch to the Central News from
Berlin says that unless England satisfies
the demands of President Kruger which
includes abrogation of the convention of
1884 by the terms of which England ex-
ercises sovereignty over the Transvaal re-
public, Germany will urge Kruger to ap-
peal to the European powers to support
him in his demands.

Rhodes Knew of It.
A despatch to the Pall Mall Gazette from
Cape Town says it is asserted that Cecil
Rhodes was aware of the whole plot re-
lating to Jameson's raid into the Trans-
vaal. Rhodes is ill in Cape Town.

Jameson's Crime.
It is reported that Dr. Jameson will be
brought to England and tried for violat-
ing the foreign enlistment act, which de-
clares it a punishable offense to prepare a
warlike expedition against a friendly
state.

British to Finish Him.
President Kruger of the Transvaal in
his reply to the queen's message of yester-
day repeats that it is his intention that
Jameson and his English followers may be
punished by the British government. He
will inform the queen of his final de-
cision in the matter as soon as Johannes-
burg shall have reverted to quietness and
order.

Ten Thousand Under Arms.
A dispatch from Pretoria states 10,000
Boers are under arms and will not return
to their homes until the matter of disarm-
ing the Uitlanders is finally settled.

Maxim Arms for Boers.
The Maxim-Nordenfild Arms company
has shipped two truck loads of small arms
to Pretoria for the Transvaal government.

Another Special Squadron.
The Pall Mall Gazette asserts that a
second special squadron consisting of fast
cruisers is about to be formed.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT.
A Bill to Modify It Considered by the
House.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The judiciary
committee today considered a bill intro-
duced by Mr. Curtis of New York to
modify capital punishment. The purpose
of the measure is to permit juries in
murder cases to return verdicts of guilty,
but with added suggestions that the
penalty is not to be
capital punishment. One of the argu-
ments in its support is that juries fre-
quently acquit prisoners because of their
indisposition to have the extreme penalty
of the law enforced. The bill, therefore,
enables judges to punish such criminals
with long terms of imprisonment in lieu
of hanging.

CUTTING WAGES.
The Pay of Coal Miners in Alabama is
Reduced.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 10.—Tennessee
Coal, Iron & Railroad company has given
notice that from this date the wages of its
5000 coal miners will be reduced five cents
per ton. Other companies which ad-
vanced wages last summer will also put a
reduction in force, so that 10,000 miners
will have their wages cut eleven per cent.

GOVERNOR STILL RETICENT.
Won't Make Public Any of the Findings
Regarding Shea.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 10.—Governor Mor-
ton still declines to make public any of
the findings of his commissioner, District
Attorney Burlingame, with reference to
the confession of John McGough that he
and not Bartholomew Shea killed Robert
Rice in Troy, N. Y.

THE EXPLOSION'S CAUSE.

The Coroner's Jury's Finding in the St.
Louis Explosion.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
ST. LOUIS, Mo., Jan. 10.—The coroner's
jury examining the cause of the explosion
in the building on North Second street on
January 3, in which six persons lost their
lives, has declared the explosion was
caused by the storage of unsafe and dan-
gerous fireworks in the building. H. B.
Grubbs, proprietor of store, is censured
for employing improper and insufficient
help to care for the same.

DIFFERENCE IRRECONCILABLE.

Another Strike Tomorrow Sanctioned by
the Amalgamated Association.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Jan. 10.—It now
seems probable another strike of the mot-
ormen and conductors of the Union Tra-
ction company will take place Saturday
morning. The differences between the
company and the men are apparently
irreconcilable. If another strike takes
place it will have the sanction of the
amalgamated association.

DARING BANK ROBBERY.

Entered the Town on Horseback and
Bound the Watchman.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
MONTETRIE, Mo., Jan. 10.—The safe of the
Farmers' bank at Verona, near here was
blown open by eight masked robbers early
this morning and \$9000 in cash was taken.
The robbers entered the city on horse-
back, bound the night watchman of the
bank to a tree across the street and
then robbed the bank.

THE REASONS WHY

Lord Aberdeen Would Not Accept Bowell's
Resignation.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
OTTAWA, Ont., Jan. 9.—It is understood
Lord Aberdeen's refusal to accept Bowell's
resignation was the outcome of a com-
munication from the colonial office in
London.

FINANCIAL.

[Special Dispatch to the Transcript.]
NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—For the first half
hour there was no market to speak of,
the only sales being recorded were in sugar,
leather, Manhattan and one or two of the
Grangers.

Room traders were at first disposed to
withdraw their support and sell stocks in
the belief that the president's letter to
Senator Coffey, published in the morning
papers rather committed the administra-
tion against a bond sale to the syndicate.
They have since reversed their position
and are again accumulating stocks.

The advance in leather is due to cover-
ing of shorts.

New York Market.
[Closing Quotations, 8 p. m.]
Received through the office of A. M. Tinker,
Room 3, Blackinton block. Executes orders for
stocks and bonds, and deals upon New York Stock
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American Cotton Oil	101 5/8
American Sugar	74 1/8
Atchafalaya	14 3/8
American Tobacco	78 5/8
B. & O.	14 3/8
Canada Southern	40
Central of New Jersey	99 1/4
Chesapeake & Potomac	14 3/8
Hocking Valley	14 3/8
Chicago & Northwestern	97 3/4
C. & N. W.	97 3/4
Chicago Great Western	65 1/4
St. Paul	67 3/4
Stock Island	65 1/4
Chicago & St. P. W. & O.	91 1/4
C. & St. L.	95 1/4
Del. & Md.	125 1/4
Del. & N. W.	125 1/4
Ill. Cent.	25 1/2
Ill. & Ind.	25 1/2
Ind. Cent.	25 1/2
L. & N.	43 1/8
Manhattan Elevated	99 1/4
M. & E. T. Co.	25 1/2
M. & E. T. Co.	25 1/2
Missouri Pacific	34 1/4
National Lead	14
New England	14
N. Y. Central	14
Erie	14
Ont. & West.	23 3/4
N. Pac. pref.	25 1/2
Pacific Mail	25
Phil. & Reading	8
Pittsburg	8
Southern Railway common	8 1/4
Ten. Coal & Iron	25 1/2
Texas Pacific	25 1/2
Union Pacific	3 1/2
U. S. Rubber	95 5/8
U. S. Leather common	58 3/4
Wabash pref.	58 3/4
Western Union	84 1/4
Wheeling & Lake Erie	18 3/4

West—May 28 1/2, July 28 1/2, Sept 28 1/2.
Corn—May 28 1/2, July 28 1/2, Sept 28 1/2.
Oats—May 19 1/2, July 19 1/2, Sept 19 1/2.
Lard—May 8 1/2, July 8 1/2, Sept 8 1/2.

Cotton.
May. Opening. Closing.
8.15 8.15

The school committee will meet to-
morrow evening in Superintendent Hall's
room at the city hall.

The Ladies' Temperance Aid society
will hold their monthly meeting at 5
o'clock p. m. Sunday in their rooms in the
Columbia block. Full attendance is re-
quested.

Frances Mary, the ten-month-old
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Whitlaw
died at their home on Chase avenue last
night from pneumonia. The funeral will
occur tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock at
the house, No. 1 Chase avenue, Rev. W. L.
Tenney officiating.

The funeral of Mrs. William Cheney
was largely attended from St. Francis'
church this morning at 9 o'clock.

Superintendent Allen of the lodging
house wants to buy a cheap second-hand
sleigh that will do for peddling wood.

Seals for the "Tornado," Lincoln J.
Carter's great scenic production, go on
sale tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock at
Bartlett's drug store.

Chief of Police Charles A. Kendall left
this morning for Fitchburg to bring his
family to this city. His home will be on
East Main street. Mr. Kendall will be
gone two or three days.

High Sheriff Charles W. Fuller made his
first visit to this city yesterday since tak-
ing the oath of his office.

A son was born this morning to Mr.
and Mrs. Frank Perry. Mrs. Perry is
with her father on Park avenue while Mr.
Perry is still in Colorado, where he went
for his health.

CHURCH MEETINGS.

Universalists and Congrega-
tionalists Held Their Annual Meet-
ings Last Night.

OFFICERS ELECTED AND COMMITTEES.

Reports were Heard From and Several
Officers. Recommendations by Rev.
Mr. Tenney. Movement for Lapsing
Deacons. Devotional Meeting.

The annual meeting of the Congrega-
tional church was held last night in the
chapel. Rev. W. L. Tenney was moder-
ator. The meeting was opened by prayer
by Deacon French and Rev. Mr. Tenney.
The minutes of the last annual meeting
were read following this by E. Barnard
clerk. They were approved and adopted.
Mr. Barnard was then re-elected clerk. R.
L. Chase being instructed to deposit a
ballot for his election. The report of the
treasurer was then read by W. W. Rich-
mond. It dealt entirely with benevo-
lence, the church having nothing to do
with the matter of expenses, that belong-
ing solely to the parish, whose annual
meeting will be held in March. W. W.
Richmond was re-elected treasurer. R. L.
Chase depositing the ballot as in the case
of the election of the clerk.

Deacon George B. Perry then reported
for the church committee. The report
was not lengthy. It contained a review
of the year's work in the church, but had
no recommendations of importance. The
report was approved and accepted. Rev.
W. L. Tenney then made some important
recommendations. The first was that the
church hold what is known as an annual
roll call the night of the annual meeting.
A supper would be served and after that
would come the transaction of business.
The second recommendation was that the
pledges for benevolence be obtained at the
same time and on the same card as the
pledges for church expenses, the object
being to give the person pledging a fair
opportunity to intelligently divide the
amount of money that can be spared for
the church, to allow room for proper dis-
crimination between the church expenses
and benevolence. The plan in practice
necessitated two pledgings. The third
recommendation was the formulating of
new by-laws and the revision of the pre-
sent. The fourth recommendation was the
foundation of a men's club for the doing of
various church work. The plan of roll
call was adopted and a date for the meet-
ing will be fixed later. It was decided to
adopt the recommendation concerning
the making of pledges. The adding to
and the revision of the by-laws were left
to the church committee. Mr. Tenney
himself will appoint a committee of four
to carry out the plan of the men's club.

Deacon George B. Perry gave notice
that he would take from the table at a
future meeting the article on the lapsing
of the deacons. This article was intro-
duced at a previous meeting by Alexander
McDonough and is to the effect that when
a deacon completes his term of service a
year shall lapse before he become again
eligible for office. H. E. Wetherbee was
placed in nomination for deacon for five
years and George W. Chase was placed in
nomination for deacon for six years.

Sunday school matters were then con-
sidered. Edwin Barnard read the Sunday
school report. The following nomina-
tions were reported from the school and
were elected as officers: Superintendent,
H. E. Wetherbee; assistant superintendent,
E. H. Whitney and George MacDonald;
superintendent of instruction, Rev.
W. L. Tenney; superintendent of the
primary department, Mrs. T. J. Putnam;
treasurer, C. W. Ford; librarian, F. J.
Barber.

The Universalists.
The annual meeting of the Universalist
church was held last night also. Previous
to the business session a prayer and
praise service was held, led by the pastor,
Rev. A. B. Church. Dr. M. M. Brown
was moderator at the business meeting.
These officers were elected: Moderator,
W. G. Cady; clerk, Rev. A. B. Church;
treasurer, L. D. Thayer. Favorable
reports were heard from the pastor, from
the deacons by Dr. O. J. Brown, from the
treasurer Mr. Thayer, from the Sun-
day school by its superintendent, Dr. O.
J. Brown, from the parish by W. G.
Cady, from the Ladies Aid society by Miss
Carrie Hines and from the Young People's
Christian union and the Boys' brigade by
Rev. A. B. Church.

These officers were appointed: Morning
ushers, Albert Whipple, George Mont,
gomery. Evening ushers, E. S. Bishop,
Clarence Hadley. Alternates, W. G.
Cady, Francis Williams, Fred Partridge,
Dr. O. J. Brown.

A sick committee consisting of
Mrs. W. G. Cady, Mrs. Fred
Harrington and Mrs. Phillips was
chosen. A committee of three con-
sisting of Rev. A. B. Church, Miss Carrie
Hines and Miss Emma Brown were ap-
pointed to district the parish and make
out lists for the calling committees. This
committee will meet next Monday even-
ing to forward its work.

AMUSEMENTS.

"The Tornado."
It isn't everyone who fancies melo-
drama, but those who do will find the
"Tornado" which will be at the Columbia
Tuesday night, to be the sort of thing
they like. It is an American melo-drama
of the healthy, vigorous sort, full of
trouble and fun, and above all it is un-
questionably the most astounding scenic
effort now before the public. It is hard
for the 'unprofessional' mind to believe
that the phenomena of a tornado can be
correctly imitated on a stage, and yet in
this production it is an accomplished fact.
In all there are five fine acts, each of
which contains working stage pictures of
surprising strength. The story told is a
good one, well thought out and well con-
structed.

Board of Trade.
This Board of Trade will be addressed
this evening by W. S. Kelley of Boston,
who is interested in the project of gen-
erating electric power at Readsboro, Vt.,
and transmitting it to the surrounding
sections. The general outline of the plan
has already been presented in these
columns, but Mr. Kelley will give detailed
facts and figures, and his address will be
one of unusual interest and importance.
The meeting should be largely attended.

Highway Collision.
A collision of carriages happened at the
corner of River and North Holden streets
about 9 o'clock Wednesday evening, but
fortunately the only damage resulting was
three broken wheels.

William Mahan's team was being driven
up River street by Michael O'Brien so rap-
idly as to be unable to turn out for the
team driven by Mrs. Allen of Florida
mountain, which came slowly around the
corner of North Holden street. The teams
were a confused mess in an instant and
Mrs. Allen was thrown out, but not in-
jured. After disentangling their teams
and taking an inventory of the damages
both parties were much relieved to find
nothing more serious than the wrecking
of their wheels.

A Correction.
EDITOR TRANSCRIPT:—Will you kindly correct
an error in yesterday's issue of your paper
concerning the leap-year party, which it was
said would be given by the Misses Jantz and Clara
Bramley of Braytonville in the F. W. T. A. build-
ing at Blackinton Thursday evening. Neither
party knew that such an affair was to be given,
and all are very sorry that the person or persons
giving your paper the item should take the li-
berty to use names of persons unconnected in any way
whatever.

Respectfully,
MAURICE JANTZ,
SHELIA JANTZ,
CLARA BRAMLEY.

The item was given to THE TRANSCRIPT re-
porter by a lady living at Braytonville,
and who, it is believed, would not inten-
tionally mislead. There was evidently
some misunderstanding and the correction
is cheerfully made.

Mrs. Byron G. Briggs of Spring street
has gone to New York city for the winter
and will reside with her mother.

THEY WERE NOT THERE.

Ladies' Night at the Berkshire Club Not
a Success.

The handsomely furnished quarters of
the Berkshire club were thrown open to
the wives and lady friends of the members
Wednesday evening, but where were the
ladies? The "ladies' night" given a num-
ber of times last year were quite success-
ful events, but not so well attended as had
been anticipated by the club. The mem-
bers are desirous of offering the privi-
lege of the rooms to the gentler sex,
and after considering at length the most
fitting methods to be adopted whereby
this might be brought about, it was de-
cided to make the second and fourth
Wednesday evenings of each month the
night when they should open wide the
doors and make it agreeable for their fair
guests. In this way the delicious seclusion
of the club was to be obliterated, at least
for these appointed evenings, that the
ladies might enjoy the pleasures of club
life semi-monthly. It seems as if the
intention of the members was miscon-
strued, for the sole occupants of the
rooms Wednesday evening from 8 to 9
o'clock were one member from Cady hill
and his wife. Another member dropped
in, his face all smiles in readiness to greet
the fair ones, but his smiles diminished in
proportion to the gathering, yet his man-
ner still portrayed the club's cordiality.
He was sent home for his wife, but failed
to return. It has been suggested by one
of the married members that the bachelor
members of the club, and there are quite
a number of such, were so vain as to fear
the privileges which leap year allows the
ladies. The next "ladies' night" will be
held the 22nd, and undoubtedly will re-
sult differently. Some of the members
assert that this is the wrong year to give
"ladies' nights," but the next evening
will tell.

A THREATENING BLAZE.

In the Office of the Sampson Manufac-
turing Company.

H. B. Robinson, connected with the C.
T. Sampson Manufacturing company,
stepped out of the office for a few minutes
this morning and upon his return found a
most dangerously threatening fire well
started. The waste basket filled with
paper, and the desk near which it stood
were in flames, which were rapidly spread-
ing. Nearly was a large can of naphtha
which would have caused terrible work
had the flames succeeded in reaching it.

It occurred before 7 o'clock and there
was no one in the office to assist Mr. Ro-
binson in extinguishing the flames. He did
not want to sound any alarm but fought
the fire as best he could alone, with the
use of some water at hand, a broom and his
ulster which he used to smother the
flames.

He soon had the fire out before it had
done serious damage to the office, beyond
the burning of some papers in the draw-
ers of the desk and scorching the desk
considerably. But unfortunately Mr.
Robinson suffered badly, as his left hand
was severely burned and his clothing in-
jured. It is supposed that the fire was
started by the dropping of a match, or a
piece of the match flying off into the
waste basket, when the gas was lighted in
the early morning.

SALVATION ARMY MEETING.

Brigadier Brewer's Remarkable Ability to
Move His Audience.

Brigadier Brewer closed the series of
church meetings last night that have been
held by the Salvation army. The meeting
was in the Baptist chapel and was very
largely attended. The brigadier, as the
previous meeting in the Congregational
church, did most of the talking and was at
times very intense. The audience had the
same opportunity that others have had to
hear the singing of Miss Thompson and
Captain Faulkner. Brigadier Brewer's
talk was most interesting last night. He
is possessed of strong, descriptive powers,
but has little learning, little stock of even
what would be called common knowledge
of things. He must have had great train-
ing in his work. He seems to thoroughly
understand the nature and mental en-
dowments of the people to whom it is cus-
tomary for him to address himself. This
is shown in the remarkable way in which
he appeals to their credulity, how he relies
upon the power of suggestion and the art-
ful, indirect method he uses in arriving at
the end for which he sets out. His picture
of Pilate washing his hands in the Stryx
to relieve them of the blood of Christ was
so moving that several women were com-
pelled to go outside to regain their
strength. A number of converts were
made instantly after it. A collection of
\$10 was raised in a few minutes by his art-
ful

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Those who read of it in the Transcript are in the other world; but this is the story that I never saw in any other paper, because he was poor, because he was ignorant, or because he was black.

—John A. Andrew.

SPECIAL TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Under the telegraphic service of the American Press Association, the Transcript receives regularly the general dispatches of the United Press, giving the general news of the country and the world, and the special dispatches of the New York American Press, the oldest and best news gathering agency in New England, or to come to France, and

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AS OTHERS SEE US

The local pride of a North Adams man can receive considerable addition in these days by going about and just remembering the many complimentary things said of his new city, or by reading the newspapers of Massachusetts. Hemmen in by the hills, yet word of us has gone through-out New England, and North Adams stands better known today than ever before.

Undoubtedly the fact that North Adams has just become a city has made it prominent in the public eye. But a warm greeting on the part of her thirty-one sister cities of Massachusetts was more than our own city had a right to expect. There is yet a different opinion held of us than that of being a big town that has naturally and commonly come into cityhood. In a degree, the remark of one of the big Boston dailies made recently is true: "The eyes of the commonwealth are on North Adams."

Ask any man who has occasion to be going about New England, or even New York, and he will tell you that there is an interest aroused when he makes it known that his home is at North Adams. Questions are asked as to its enterprises and its industries. Boston men and merchants want to know what it is that makes North Adams such a "hustler." To come nearer home and visit the small out-lying towns in our vicinity, one will find that there is a pride taken in North Adams. "It isn't so pretty as Pittsfield, but it's got more business than Pittsfield ever thought of," is a common Berkshire remark in drawing a comparison between the shire town and our own. Our rural friends feel an added pride in speaking of "the city."

Now, why are the eyes of the commonwealth on North Adams? It is because of the way of doing things we have here in North Adams. Our manufacturers are enterprising, up to date, prompt, and substantial. Our laboring men are industrious and intelligent. There are no labor feuds, no strikes, no lock-outs, to impair the steady course of business. Our churches and our schools are prospered, and are so because they receive the attention and recognition due them from an enlightened community.

But there is still another factor in North Adams' success. It is that of common effort. Such effort as brought the normal school here and sent every member of the Massachusetts legislature, from Cape Cod to the New York line, back to his home at the close of the legislative session of two years ago to tell what a town North Adams was for carrying its point. Common purpose did that. Ability to get together at any time brings such results. The same spirit in support of the city charter has been taken note of by the people of the whole state. What a credit to us as a town that we could go before the legislature last winter and ask for a radically new form of government without any sign of home dissensions, but, with perfect unanimity, say: "Here is the charter we want; we have considered it and agreed upon this one, and that means we are all agreed." Such a course is indeed remarkable. How different from some of our Berkshire neighbors!

With our industry and our public spirit, with our unity of feeling and community purpose—free from any jealousies and petty divisions, do we not deserve the attention of the commonwealth and, in part, at least, the flattery that the city of North Adams has of late been receiving?

Of Richard Olney, secretary of state, the New York Sun has the following striking things among others, regarded editorially: "Here is a gentleman, regarded until quite recently as a shrewd corporation lawyer and an expert at lawn tennis, who suddenly develops qualities such as mark the heroes of whom nations are proud. He has attempted and achieved the thing that seemed impossible. He has reversed the whole foreign policy of the administration. He has blotted out the ignominy of his predecessor's record of subservience and surrender. In firm tones he has dictated Americanism to a cabinet wherein there have been few in the past who dared to speak above a whisper. He has mastered a will that was supposed to break every time before bending, and with no beating of drums, but, we are sure, with profound inner satisfaction, has marched the president back into the American camp, where the headquarters of an American president properly are."

Altogether the most terrible rebuke which President Cleveland's Venezuelan policy and the newspapers which have supported it have yet received comes from a correspondent, "Pedagogus Scholasticus," of the *Marblehead Messenger*. This interesting gentleman acknowledges that "not only my education but my ordinary feeling lead me to this view," that is, that the American attitude toward England is "barbaric"—and then he blantly confesses that "my great grandfather's peace principles led him to oppose the Revolution." My grandfather was a stern opponent of the War of 1812, and "a member of Hartford convention" and "myself deprecated war in '61." "Go further, adds this noble patriot, "and say that in any controversy between the United States and England we are always in the wrong." These ingenious utterances throw a vivid light on the real character of some of the present opposition to the government in this neighborhood.—Boston Journal.

In the Bostonian for January is an account of the discovery of ether. The birthplace of its discoverer, William Mor-

ton, is thus spoken of: "On the nineteenth day of August, 1818, in the little town of Otisville, on the rough, rugged Berkshire hills, in the county of Worcester, was born one whose mission surpassed in practical blessings all that ever came before." We know that many and most things good to Massachusetts connect themselves in some way with Berkshire and its grand old hills. But we draw the line on the geography that doesn't credit Berkshire county with having the only genuine Berkshire hills in existence.

What terror those new pneumatic guns that frown out upon the Pacific ocean from the fortifications of San Francisco! They can be aimed so accurately as to hit a ship four or five miles distant, and when their charge of dynamite explodes, as was seen at the testing the other day, great columns of water, larger and higher than the Washington monument, were thrown into the air miles away from the guns. No hostile war ship can live within half a dozen miles of the Golden Gate. These guns are of home make, too. All America won't be blown up by any one just yet.

The inaugural of the mayor of the new city of North Adams vindicates the wisdom of its unanimous election. "The introduction of politics into municipal affairs," he says, "is an evil which should not be tolerated. The right and proper place for the consideration of political affairs men should decide on party lines, but when it comes to matters which concern only our homes, our business or ourselves, the only consideration should be: 'What is the good of the community?'"

The inaugural address of Mayor Houghton of North Adams, was an interesting and well written document, and indicates that his administration will be conducted in a business like way and along non-partisan lines. Massachusetts' newest city is to be very warmly congratulated on its first chief executive, and we predict for him a very successful administration.—Pittsfield Eagle.

The Gypsy moth exterminators ask \$200,000 from the commonwealth for the coming season, and the cattle commissioners want \$250,000 with which to fight tuberculosis. Little bugs and little microbes bring in a big bill.

The Venezuelan commission gets down to work tomorrow at Washington. The English government is working up its side of the case in London to present to Parliament. Everyone is waiting.

A little "sledding" just now would be a boom to every farmer in this section of New England where logs and wood are waiting to be moved.

What will Emperor William do? If he wants a fight with England he can be accommodated?

Sluggish Maher has gone to Texas ostensibly to meet Fitzsimmons in the ring. More war talk now, and no fight.

What a wonderful thing is silence! Instance Lord Salisbury of England.

Pittsfield has met with a loss indeed in the death of John V. Barker.

THE EDITOR'S SHEARS.

FOR TODAY.

THE BELL THAT CALLED ME HOME.
 The bell that used to call me home, to-night I hear its song,
 And what sweet memories trooping come to laugh the way along,
 As on I fare all eagerly, with hungry heart and brain,
 I find myself on Selim's back a-jogging down the lane.

The bell that used to call me home, I loved to hear its voice;
 Of all my boyhood's music, that bell's tone was my choice.
 Tonight there's sadness mingled with its swinging melody,
 It tells of loves and hopes and joys that never may come to me.

The bell that used to call me home, I strive to catch its call;
 I pass the tree where hangs the swing and ripe mulberries fall.
 What happiness to turn again the "last round" of a dream,
 And meet west Emily at the bar when I unhook the team.

The bell that calls me home when I am done with earthly care
 Shall shall a farm home, olden, and a swaying rocking chair;
 Shall sing of mother knitting, sing sweet milk and home-made bread,
 And old-time dreams on drowsy wings when my last prayer's said.

—George Stout.

A DANGEROUS PLACE.

The Walk at the Eagle Street Corner of the Baptist Church.

If there is one place more than another which should receive immediate attention it is the short hill near the corner of the Baptist church, both on the walk on Main street and on Eagle street. The school children use that particular section of the walk for sliding place and it always affords an excellent one for that purpose. It is not so pleasant for older persons who use the walk, and one seldom comes down the hill or goes up it without expecting a fall. The number of falls there is entirely unnecessary when one thinks what a few shovels full of ashes or sand would mean to the public safety. Several accidents resulting from the slippery walk have caused suits against the city. If the janitor of that church should be instructed to plentifully scatter ashes or sand on the walk much satisfaction would be felt by those persons who have to use the walk daily, and expensive suits would perhaps be averted.

A GOOD LECTURE.

To Be Heard at the Universalist Church This Evening.

Those who attend the lecture to be given at the Universalist church this evening by Rev. J. J. Lewis of Boston will enjoy a treat such as is not often presented to the people of North Adams in this line. Mr. Lewis is a lecturer of superior ability and his subject, "A Trip Through the Canadian Rockies," affords ample scope for his rare descriptive powers. The lecture will be illustrated with stereoscopic views of the best quality, a considerable number of them having been painted in Paris, and these in connection with the lecture will afford a very enjoyable and instructive entertainment. Mr. Lewis should be greeted by a large audience.

Mrs. O. C. Underwood of Hall street is dangerously ill with pneumonia.

TRAVELLER'S GUIDE.

Fitchburg Railroad.

Corrected Dec. 16, 1895.
 Trains Leave North Adams going East—8:37, 12:15, 7:35, 9:55, 11:44 a. m.; 2:32, 12:40, 12:50 p. m.
 Going West—7:30, 9:50 a. m.; 2:30, 1:30, 1:45, 11:45, 12:45, 12:50 p. m.
 Trains Arrive from East—10:08 a. m.; 12:10, 1:24, 5:00, 12:03, 11:45, 12:50 p. m.
 From West—8:37, 12:15, 7:35, 9:55, 11:44, 12:00, 12:45, 12:50 p. m.
 Runs daily, except Monday.
 Runs daily, Sunday included.
 Sundays only.

Boston & Albany Railroad.

Trains Leave North Adams, going South—8:30, 9:20 a. m.; 12:15, 12:45, 1:30 p. m.
 Trains Arrive from South—3:30 a. m.; 12:05, 2:35, 5:00, 8:10 p. m.

Hoosac Valley Street Railway.

Leave North Adams—8:10, 7:45, 8:00, 8:15, 10:45, 11:00 a. m.; 12:15, 1:15, 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, 4:45, 5:30, 6:15, 7:45, 8:30, 9:15 p. m.
 Leave Adams—8:30, 8:10, 7:45, 8:00, 8:15, 10:45, 11:00 a. m.; 12:15, 1:15, 1:45, 2:30, 3:15, 4:45, 5:30, 6:15, 7:45, 8:30, 9:15 p. m.
 Saturday and Sunday afternoons, leave each end at 1:30, 2:15, 3:00, 3:45, 4:30, 5:15, 6:00, 6:45, 7:30, 7:45, 8:00, 8:30, 8:45, 9:15, 9:30, 10:30 p. m.
 Sunday cars will run to suit convenience of church attendance.

Stages.

Run daily, except Sunday.

NORTH ADAMS AND WILLIAMSTOWN.

THOMAS McMAHON, Proprietor.
 Leave Richmond House, North Adams, 8:30 a. m.; 12:15, 2:30, 5 p. m., and Saturdays, 8:10 p. m.
 Leave McMahons' Stable, Williamstown, 5:15 a. m.; 11 a. m., 1:40 p. m., and Saturdays, 5 p. m.

NORTH ADAMS AND READSBORO.

J. E. FAULKNER, Proprietor.
 Leave Post Office, North Adams, 1:30 p. m.
 Leave Post Office, Readsboro, 8 a. m.

THIS EVENING'S EVENTS.

Board of Trade addressed by W. S. Kelley of Boston.
 Meeting of Socialist Labor party in the F. M. T. A. building, to be followed by smoke talk.
 Public invited.
 Special meeting of North Adams Lodge, Foresters of America, at Foresters' hall on Center street.
 Social and dance by the Dry club in its rooms on Holden street.
 Lecture, "A Trip Through the Canadian Rockies," at the Universalist church by Rev. J. J. Lewis of Boston.
 Smoke talk by Chas. McIntyre at St. Jean Baptiste hall.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

—A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Allen of East Main street January 8.

—The Dry club will hold a dance in the club rooms on Holden street this evening.

—Oneco lodge, No. 100, I. O. O. F., will work the third degree next Tuesday evening.

—Mr. R. H. Haslam will continue to occupy her present residence during the spring and summer.

—Miss Mary Townsend of Hall street will entertain the F. E. T. E. whist club at her home this evening.

—The number of deaths in this city last year was 365. For 1894 the deaths numbered 347 and in 1893 there were 407 deaths.

—Briggs' orchestra will give a concert and furnish dance music for a masquerade ball at Literary hall, Charlemont, tonight.

—A special meeting of the Foresters of America will be held this evening in Foresters' hall on Center street at 7:30 o'clock.

—The officers of Mountain lodge, A. O. U. W., will be installed next Wednesday evening by District Deputy Morrow of Pittsfield.

—Hon. S. A. Hickox of South Williamstown will address a farmers' institute at Phillipsburg next Wednesday under the auspices of the Worcester Northwest Agricultural society.

—Tower & Porter are putting two medium sized boilers into the Y. M. C. A. building. One boiler will be ready for use Saturday evening.

—The ladies of St. John's church will hold a social and entertainment in the parish house Wednesday evening. Fifteen cents will be charged for admission. The public is invited.

—The returns of the births, deaths and marriages which occurred in this city the past year have been made to Clerk Brooker, who is being assisted in the work of copying by Mrs. Peter McCraw.

—The committee of the Leek club will meet tomorrow evening at the home of George Hamer, No. 77 West Main street, to consider plans for the annual celebration. A full attendance is desired.

—The following have been chosen as delegates to the county convention of the F. M. T. A. societies to be held in Lee Friday, the 17th: James McShen, David Reagan, L. Noel, Augustus Houlahan and William Barrington.

—The annual installation of the officers of Dictator lodge, Knights of Honor, was held last evening in Galsie's hall. District Deputy J. R. Chippendale was the installing officer. A social hour was passed after the exercises were completed.

—Miss Clara Lidford entertained her Sunday school class, composed of young ladies, in St. John parish house last evening. A number of young men had been invited and whilst was enjoyed, followed by refreshments.

—James Birch, who died last Saturday, held a \$2,000 policy in the Berkshire Mutual Life Insurance company, and his widow received today, through the agency of Hamer & Stone, a check for \$2,860, the surplus being accumulated dividends.

—Round trip only thirty-five cents. A Raymond & Whitehead excursion through the Canadian Rockies tonight at the Universalist church, conducted by Rev. J. J. Lewis. Limit of accommodations set at 400. Special rates and special scenery that no one can afford to miss.

—A meeting of the Socialist Labor party will be held in the F. M. T. A. building this evening. Papers on various topics will be read by some of the members and this will be followed by an informal smoke talk. The public is invited to attend the meeting. The subject of the papers will be of interest to everyone.

—J. F. Fenson of Dalton, a representative of the state Y. M. C. A. committee, will have charge of the special service to be held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock, in the Baptist chapel. The object of the meeting is to awaken local interest in the project of erecting a state Y. M. C. A. building in Boston.

—District Deputy Grand Regent F. W. Reed and suite, composed of District Regents of Berkshire council, Royal Arcanum, and W. L. Potter, collector of Berkshire council, will install the officers of Onota council of Pittsfield next Tuesday evening, January 14, at which time several candidates will be initiated into the order,

which is growing rapidly in Pittsfield as well as in North Adams.

The following officers were nominated at the meeting of the Central Labor union last evening to be elected at the annual meeting to be held next week: President, John D. Brennan; vice-president, Patrick McMahon; recording secretary, J. F. Dillon; financial secretary, Charles Ramsdell; treasurer, George Robich. The subject of organizing a debating club in the union was discussed, but nothing definite in that line was settled upon.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Walter Parker and Miss Maggie Jones, which will occur January 15 at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Jones of Houghton street.

Brigadier Brewer of the Salvation army was entertained by Rev. W. L. Tenney, who had the opportunity of once hearing Mr. Brewer in the beginning of his evangelistic career.

Miss Margaret Williams of Hopedale, N. Y., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams of River street.

James Lowe and wife of Dover, N. H., are visiting friends in this city. They were formerly residents here.

THE CESANA DEAL.

The Plans for Improvement and the Possibilities of the Property.

The sale consummated by Cesar Cesana yesterday is the most important one that has been brought to a close in several months. This is true not so much on account of the large sum exchanging hands as it is when the possibilities of the property are considered. As was stated in the TRANSCRIPT yesterday the property has been left in Mr. Cesana's hands for development. Mr. Cesana has his plans all formed already. The property has an extreme depth from Church to Dover street of 530 feet and 270 feet from Dover street to where the new street will be run through. The new street with sidewalks will run from Church street to Dover street and nine lots will face on it. There will be thirteen lots in all. The residence on the Haslam lot will be moved back upon it and remodeled for a modern residence. The only cottage on Cherry street will be fitted up to the best advantage. The lots will be graded and sewers will be built. Mr. Cesana intends to spend a good sum of money improving the property. Some think he has made a poor speculation in this purchase, but when it is known that prominent citizens have secured already a refusal of most of the lots at paying prices to the investors the thought of injudiciousness disappears.

BEAUTIFUL ORCHIDS.

Some Excellent Ones at Dr. Brown's Fry and Street Green Houses.

Those who are pleased at seeing beautiful orchids would be well repaid by a visit to the green houses of Dr. W. E. Brown on Bryant street. The doctor has not the slightest objection to visitors and the gardener, Henry Lane, will courteously receive anyone. The orchids mentioned are not large in number but exceptional in their freshness and flower. There are many plants in the doctor's collection that are well worth seeing and of which he should be very proud. They show the doctor's taste and the gardener's ability. A look in a green house at this season, particularly the doctor's, is a refreshing sight.

ONE WORD IN TIME

Is Better Than Two Afterwards—A Chance to Profit by a Boston Man's Experience.

(From the Boston Herald.)

It's a strange thing how people will put away an opportunity until too late; it's only little things that go to make up our every day existence; the trouble is we don't pay sufficient attention to them. "A wink to the wise may be sufficient," but sometimes we don't get that wink, and we are not all wise. Now, for instance: Backache is a little thing. Sometimes it comes after a hard day's work, or a slight cold. It will pass off, you say; it's only the result of overtaxing my back. This is where you are wrong. It isn't the fault of your back, but your kidneys. The action or straining has injured with their delicate mechanism. You call it backache but it really is kidney ache. If the kidneys are not relieved, chronic disorders set in, and this is where the little thing should not be passed over. A Boston man has learned to appreciate what delay means. We refer to J. H. Matthews, who resides at No. 4 Garland street. This is how he speaks about it: "Some eight years ago I had a bad fall which rendered my back lame and sore. I was not surprised at this, as my accident was a bad one; but as time went on my back did not appear to improve, and I wondered at it. I never seemed to get perfectly well. It would hurt me to stoop over or lift anything heavy. I suffered with dull headaches; colds, drafts, and even dampness had immediate effect on my back. I was always looking for a remedy for my ills. At last I found it. I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Bradbury's drug store, on Washington street. They were highly recommended, and I began their use at once. Their action was 'like unto magic,' and day by day the pain began to lessen in my back. I am glad to give the public the benefit of my experience. Doan's Kidney Pills are excellent medicine, and strike right at the point of kidney troubles."

Doan's Kidney Pills are for sale by all dealers, price 50 cents, mailed by Foster-McBirn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same old song of praise. A purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the liver and kidneys, will remove Pimples, Boils, Salt Rheum and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive Malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all Malarial fevers.—For cure of Headache, Constipation and Indigestion try Electric Bitters. Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded.—Price 50 cents and \$1.00 per bottle at Burlington & Darby's Drug store.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Burlington and Darby.

TOWN TALK.

Millinery.

Mrs. F. L. Newton, as manager, will close out at cut prices the entire stock of millinery goods at the millinery parlors in the Blackinton block. This stock ought to be sold within the next ten days. 6137

Buyers of clothing would do well to notice the advertisement of Barnard & Co. which appears elsewhere.

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 Four desirable tenements with all modern improvements \$10 to \$30 per month. Inquire of M. R. Dowling, 11 Pleasant St.
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 A Tenement. B. J. Boland.
 Store. All modern improvements, best location. O. S. Vaden, Centre street.

FEMALE HELP WANTED.

Young girl to assist in care of baby and board at home. Apply 3 Ashland St.
 An experienced girl to do housework. Apply 34 Center St.

LOST.

Boy's watch—size 11. If returned to 28 Summer St. a suitable reward will be given. R.

WANTED.

An active, reliable man wanted to sell our line of goods in North Adams and vicinity. For terms, call on or address Grand Union Tea Co., 365 River St., Troy, N. Y.
 Inform us of our business in good confidence. Mrs. Kate McCreary, in 1879 she lived in North Adams in the family of Mr. Wilson. Address: box M Transcript office. 6137

FOR SALE.

\$50 cash will buy chunky-built black mare about 12 1/2 hands high. Believed to be sound. Has been driven by owner's children for two years. Good animal for work or pleasure. Can be seen at Mrs. E. J. Brooks' "Brookside" farm, South Williamstown road. Leon G. White, manager.
 Small farm at reasonable price. Good land, house and out buildings in good condition. Address Mrs. B. J. Baxter, New Ashford, Mass.

POSITION WANTED.

General housework by a young French woman. Good cook and laundress. References. Address box 17, Transcript office. 6139

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BOSTON STORE

TAYLOR & GOW.

We'll sell on Friday and Saturday

\$1800

worth of Ladies' and Children's

Winter
Garmentsat the following LOW PRICES:
Come if you want a bargain.

\$8.00	Jackets now	\$4.98
\$10.00	"	\$6.98
\$12.50	"	\$7.98
\$15.00	"	\$9.98

These prices will make them go.
Other bargains in store equally low in figures.BUTTERICK'S
PATTERNS.

Boston Store.

Special
Low Prices.

Our stock of fine gold

Watches.

(Ladies and gentlemen's). Diamonds, in rings, ear rings and pins.

Sterling

sets and heavy pieces, and elegant

Cut Glass.

is larger than any in Western Massachusetts. It is too large and to reduce it we will quote specially low prices for a short time.

L. M. BARNES,

5 Wilson Block.

Playing Cards

is the latest way of serving

ICE

CREAM

at card parties.

McNEILL'S.

HARVEY A. GALLUP

BUYS,

SELLS

and EXCHANGES

Real Estate

Boland Block, N. Adams.

LATE BUYERS

will still find a

Good Assortment of
Watches,
Clocks,
Opera Glasses,
Sterling Silver,
Solid Gold Jewelry.

Special prices will be quoted on certain articles to sell them quickly.

L. W. WHITE,

JEWELER.

.....80 MAIN STREET.

SUBURBAN NEWS.

Happenings of Interest in Our Neighbor Towns.

AT ADAMS TODAY.

Concerning the Postoffice Location. Both sides to the postoffice fight have been officially notified that the matter of location will be thoroughly investigated and a fair judgment rendered. The Springfield Republican's special Washington correspondent said in his letter Thursday: "The postoffice department has directed Chief Inspector Boynton at Boston to send one of his force to Adams to report upon the location of the postoffice there. The purpose of the postmaster to remove from the First National bank to the new building on Park street has aroused much feeling in certain quarters, and a remonstrance was recently filed at the postoffice department which was declared to bear the signature of two-thirds of the business men of the place. The remonstrance declares that there is no more space in the proposed new office than in the old, and that the means of entrance and departure are far less convenient. The inspector is ordered to report upon these facts and also upon the relative convenience of the two sites to the business portion of the town."

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Greylock national bank occurred Thursday morning and these officers were elected: President, William B. Plunkett; vice-president, Job K. Anthony; cashier, Frank Coonan; directors, Edward N. Gibbs of New York, David Follett, E. J. Noble, A. B. Mole, C. T. Plunkett, George B. Adams and Frank Coonan.

The Caledonian club has elected these new officers: Chief, George Kerr; first chieftain, John McLaren; second chieftain, David McKeljohn; third chieftain, Alexander Bailey; fourth chieftain, William Bryce; fifth chieftain, William H. Young; flag bearer, John Bryce; standard bearer, Donald Campbell. Installation will occur Tuesday evening.

Social and Dance Tonight. The St. Jean Baptist society will hold one of their pleasant socials and dances at their hall on Commercial street this evening and a very pleasant time is assured. Brother's orchestra will furnish music for the occasion. Lunch will be served in the dining hall on the first floor.

Joseph Cote. Joseph Cote died at his home on Spring street about 6 o'clock this morning of Bright's disease at the age of twenty-nine years. He was born in Canada and came to this town a short time ago from Palmer. He was a machinist in the employ of the Berkshire Cotton company. The funeral will occur Saturday afternoon.

Tonight the W. C. Plunkett camp, Sons of Veterans, will meet at Grand Army hall and elect officers.

The local court of Foresters will hold its annual meeting in Emmet hall Sunday. "Side Tracked" was greeted by a large house Thursday evening and the performance was very good.

D. D. Johnson of the Holyoke firm which supplied lumber for the new Berkshire mill was in town Thursday.

T. E. McGrath, "head singer" of the Columbia opera house, North Adams called on Manager Hicks of the local opera house yesterday.

Rev. James A. Mahan of West Stockbridge was in town Thursday.

The fourth quarterly conference of Trinity Methodist church will be held Tuesday evening and Presiding Elder Griffin will be present.

The ladies of St. Mark's Episcopal church will serve supper at the parish house Tuesday evening.

The J. S. Adams baseball club will hold social and dance at Grand Army hall next week Friday evening and the proceeds will be devoted to buying uniforms. Brothers' orchestra will provide music and C. Deconque will prompt.

The revival meetings at Trinity Methodist church continue to be very successful.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Simmons, Jr., Thursday. A son was born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. John Drobosky of Orangetown. Now is the time to begin obeying the orders of the selectmen in regard to keeping sidewalks free from snow and ice.

Mrs. Decker of Philmont, N. Y., who is visiting Landlord Morse and family at the Greylock house is quite ill.

CHESHIRE.

Blighing has been looked for and has at last come.

E. G. Brown is confined to the house, and has been for a week past.

The TRANSCRIPT article last evening concerning the church difficulty was read with great interest. The church is barred against the newly chosen sexton, and it is reported on good authority that the bell cannot be rung without some difficulty, although Rev. Mr. Harding will be allowed to enter the church and preach if he wants to next Sunday. His year is not out till April.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

The First Congregational church has given B. H. Sherman an order for two Fuller & Warren hot air furnaces. The old furnaces have caused the sexton and less care, and when at their best they sited the air with smoke. At the annual meeting the parish committee was instructed to inspect and give an opinion whether they were worth repairs or not. It is a pleasant surprise to all attendants to have the new furnaces in working order for Sunday, January 19.

George W. Russell is in town. His new home is nearly completed.

The new side track at the railroad yard is finished. It keeps the freight trains off the main track. The switch track east of the depot has been extended about 100 feet, and now touches the end of the wooden platform. Railroad business is heavy and every man is putting in full time.

Waterman & Moore are having their lumber sheds painted.

Mrs. H. A. White has organized a periodical club called "Water Street club." It is in fine working order and reports none different periodicals circulated, all of a high standard of excellence.

S. J. Kellogg was the first man seen out in a cutter by your correspondent. Several double sleighs appeared on the streets.

A few more students have left college. The freshmen class has lost quite a number, and now numbers not so very many above its usual average.

For China, glass tin ware go to A. W. Hunt, No. 20 Spring St., new 10-cent store.

Laundry, 72 Main St., Charley Won, proprietor. I will call for washing, when laundered will deliver to owners.

BLACKINTON.

The following officers for the Blackinton reading room have been elected to serve for six months: President, Frederick Mogels; vice-president, John Galvin; treasurer and secretary, John Navin. William S. Archer is in Pittsfield. He took part in a minstrel show there last evening and the performance is to be repeated this evening.

Mrs. James H. Reynolds is rapidly recovering from her recent illness.

A letter from New York states that Lemuel Pomeroy, who is suffering from inflammatory rheumatism, is a little better but not out of danger.

Superintendent R. E. Schouler is in New York on business.

William J. Mackey left town this morning to take a position in Holden & Leonard's woolen mill.

The heavy weight samples were shipped to New York Thursday. For neatness of design and fabric the goods are up to the usual high standard. The selling agents will start out with them Monday morning, and we look for a little better business.

BRAYTONVILLE.

Mrs. T. W. Sykes and children have returned home after a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. W. A. DeMerritt of Brookline.

Miss Jeanne Jarvis, who was home from the Kimball Union academy, Meriden, N. H., during the holidays, has returned.

Miss Hannah Lahey of Monson recently visited her sister, Mrs. T. C. O'Connor.

The officers of the Sunday school gave their annual report last Sunday.

The road commission have just completed the fence on Rightview avenue.

CHINESE SUPERSTITIONS.

Some of the Celestials' queer ideas on the subject of Medicine.

Among the many singular superstitions of the Chinese people is one which corresponds closely to the notion of the Hindus, a belief that western physicians use the eyes, brains and hearts of infants in the concoction of their medicines and of those magical potions which are to be used in the future of time to kill off the inhabitants of China preparatory to the confiscation of their land. This absurd belief probably originated from their own practices in this direction. The Chinese, as their lawbooks show, are firm believers in witchcraft by spells and drugs, and those parts of the human frame which we have mentioned are frequently employed by them in the way of medicines, a practice, by the way, not unknown in our own country, even in the eighteenth century.

One of the great works of the States of Mary attached to the French Catholic mission was the saving of infant life. Female babies in China are held in very poor estimation and are frequently thrown out to die or given away to any persons so misguided as to desire the possession of them. The object of the sisters was in every way commendable. They sought to prevent a deplorable waste of human life, or if their care could not avail to save the poor little wasted bodies they sought at least to save their souls. They gathered into their infant asylums all the children they could find. It was proved that their methods were not always beyond reproach, but the end, they argued, justified any means. The deaths were very numerous, not unnaturally, considering the neglected condition of the children when received.

A rumor spread that the foreign devils were employing professional kidnappers to obtain infants for the sake of their eyes, hearts and brains. The educated classes are in all this perturbed to physiological knowledge, as ignorant and as superstitious as the common people. The popular rage broke out, some bodies which were exhumed seemed to afford confirmation of the charges, the official classes and the secret societies fanned the flame, and the result was that every French man and woman in Tien-tsin was killed and all the property belonging to them and to their mission destroyed. The nuns were subjected to foul outrage after death and their bodies thrown into the Pehlo river.—Macmillan's Magazine.

HOW ANCIENTS MADE GLASS.

Theban Workmen Were Experts in the Business Many Ages Ago.

The glass blowers of ancient Thebes are known to have been as proficient in that particular art as is the most scientific craftsman of the present day. The present day after a lapse of 40 centuries of so-called "progress." They were well acquainted with the art of staining glass and are known to have produced that combination in great profusion and perfection. Rosellini gives an illustration of a piece of stained glass known to be 4,000 years old, both in tint and design. In this case the color is struck through the vitrified structure, and he mentions designs struck entirely in place from a half inch to three quarters of an inch thick, the color being perfectly incorporated with the structure of the piece and exactly the same on both the obverse and reverse sides.

The priests of Ptah at Memphis were adepts in the glassmaker's art, and not only did they have factories for manufacturing the common crystal variety, but they had learned the vitrifying of the different colors and the imitation of precious stones to perfection. Their line of the amethyst and of the various other colored glasses were so true to nature that even now, after they have lain in the desert sands from 5,000 to 4,000 years, it takes an expert to distinguish the genuine article from the spurious. It has been shown that, besides being experts in glassmaking and glass coloring, they used the diamond in cutting and grinding glass. In the British museum there is a beautiful piece of stained glass, with an engraved emblem of the monarch Thothmes III, who lived 3,400 years ago.—Jewelers' Circular.

Condon's Fool Him.

He was standing in front of a theater and surveying the building with seeming interest, when a policeman halted to inquire if he was looking for the box office.

"Well, I dunno," was the reply. "What's going on in there?"

"It's the regular drama."

"Anything like a circus?"

"Oh, no! You've been to the theater, haven't you?"

"No, I've been around a heap."

"Well, then, you know what it is."

"Any backseat riding?"

"No."

"Anybody jump through hoops of fire?"

"No."

"Offer anybody \$10 to ride a bucking mule?"

"I think not. You'd better go in and see. There's a matinee this afternoon."

"That's that—show or no show?"

The policeman laughed and made no reply, and the stranger bristled up and exclaimed:

"I'm on to you, old fellow, bigger'n a horse! You're a bunko stealer, and you thought you'd run up again a hayseed, but you just walk on, or I'll lay you out cold—no a barn door hinge in January!"—Detroit Free Press.

And now Zella Nicolaus is going to write a book of her recollections. She promises to make almost as much trouble as John Sherman's.—Boston Herald.

TO REMAIN IN OFFICE.

Confidence in Bowell's Ability to Organize a Strong Cabinet.

Remedial Legislation in Manitoba to Go On.

Premier Borden His "Stickers" in No Uncertain Terms.

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—The ministerial crisis assumed a new phase yesterday when Premier Bowell read his promised statement.

After reading the statement, Sir Mackenzie made a voluntary attack upon the ministers who had bolted. The reasons given by the ministers for resigning were not, he said, such as would prevent their associating themselves with the government in the future. They had made reflections on his parliamentary career. He deduced any man to point out one case of dishonesty in his long public life. He had always been a successful man, and had been given loyal support by the striking ministers he would have been just as successful in carrying on the nation's affairs.

He said the only reason given for the resignations was that the bolters did not like their leader. He never had claimed the position of great intellect, but the strikers knew his powers when they chose him first minister as well as they did when they played the part of assassins. At any time, had the ministers acted manfully and come to him with a statement that they were dissatisfied with his ability to lead them, he would not have stood in the way of progress of Canada and of the Conservative party. "But," continued Sir Mackenzie, "under the present circumstances I desire to make it clear that I will not give up the reins of government."

His future he was glad to leave in the hands of Canadians, and for Canadians to decide whether the ministers were justified in leaving him at an important juncture in the affairs of the country. He would go on with remedial legislation in Manitoba, at the same time hoping that the day would never come when the rights of any British subject would be interfered with.

Governor Objected.

The premier concluded by saying that, after several interviews with the governor general regarding the resignation of the ministers, he (Bowell) waited again upon the governor general with the purpose of tendering his resignation, but his excellency intimated that at that moment he was not prepared to receive it, as the speech from the throne had not been passed. He would endeavor to re-form the government, and moved that the house adjourn until next Tuesday, and in the meantime he would try and fill the vacancies. If not successful, he would then tender his resignation to the governor general.

It is learned that the governor general is of the opinion that Bowell can get together a stronger government than could Sir Charles Tupper. Lord Aberdeen thinks a strong feeling of sympathy has been aroused for Bowell, which will enable him to form a stable government. Reports from the country at large indicate that the feeling is all against the seven ministers who bolted.

In the house of commons yesterday afternoon, Sir Adolph Carver, as leader of the opposition, moved adjournment until next Tuesday. He stated that an adjournment was necessary in order to give the government a chance of reconstructing the cabinet.

The Liberals demurred against this, and insisted upon sitting today and Monday. Every Liberal speaker denounced the treachery of the bolters, and said they would give Bowell every aid in continuing his administration.

Adjournment was finally carried or division, without a vote being taken. Although Messrs. Foster, Haggart, Tupper, Montague and Dickey, five of the seven bolters, were present in the house not one had a word to say in defense of their actions.

Negotiations are still on foot toward bringing Sir Charles Tupper, Sr., into the cabinet. If he consents, there is no doubt that Bowell will be able to pull through. Tupper is understood to have given in answer to the advances of Sir Mackenzie as yet.

IN TROOPS' FAVOR.

Trend of the Latest Report From Cuban Fields of Battle.

HABANA, Jan. 10.—The column of troops commanded by Colonel Molina, in the district of Alfonso XII, province of Matanzas, have captured an insurgent position on Mt. Manjuri at the point of the bayonet. The engagement lasted four hours, during nearly all of which time the Spaniards used the bayonet. They captured the insurgent camp, 30 sets of arms and much ammunition, supplies, medicines and an insurgent hospital. The insurgents left 15 killed on the mountains and retreated with many wounded, partly in the direction of Cienega and others in the direction of the province of Habana. The troops had two officers and 13 soldiers wounded.

The news published in New York, via Tampa, Fla., that the insurgents had captured 17 forts, and that 700 soldiers have deserted to the enemy, is not true. The insurgents have not been able to capture one fort, it is officially asserted. Captain Cesar Delle, aide-de-camp to General Macoe, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

News has been received that Maximo Gomez, with 2000 of the insurgent forces, has again passed the plantation of San Antonio, and the towns of Alquizar and Guira Melena. His present whereabouts and his proposed destination are not ascertained, but his movements are practically a counter-march over the same route by which he entered the province of Pinar del Rio. Guira Melena is on a line almost directly south of Habana. Gomez is, therefore, well out of the region, in the province of Pinar del Rio, in which, it was said, he was being unmasked as in a trap.

SPIRIT OF UNREST

Still Prevades the Districts Recently Silenced Up by Jameson.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The Times has an editorial this morning which strongly protests against cancelling the Rhodes charter.

A dispatch to The Times from Johannesburg confirms the report that sympathy with Dr. Jameson makes the Uitlanders reluctant to disarm; but as it is estimated that there are 30,000 armed Boers around the town, there is no fear of further rebellion.

The shops are reopening, continues The Times dispatch, and business is resuming its normal course. It develops that Dr. Jameson's force marched 100 miles in 93 hours, never halting more than two hours at a time.

The directors of the Chartered South African company have decided to request the government to institute an inquiry into Dr. Jameson's action.

The largest private house in Great Britain is known as Wentworth Manor. It is the property of Earl Fitzwilliam.

THE MYSTERY OF LOVE.

The million stars that throng the skies
A score of moons would make
Yet now their twinkling just mingles
The gloom of night to break.

So friendship may the offering be
Of scores of royal hearts,
Yet fail to give the ecstasy
That love alone imparts.

—Joseph W. Quinn in Womenkind.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

The Difference Between the Two When a Quarrel Is in Progress.

The difference between a man and a woman is never quite as clearly defined as when they quarrel. No matter how many hundred times she has seen fit to forgive his derelictions, if he once imagines he has a grievance, then the mountains are as putty in comparison with his immovability. The past is all forgotten. No matter how good she may have been to him or how actually right she is in the present instance, he is going to assume a highly judicial air that no amount of pleading can alter until he gets good and ready to change his mood.

The yielding, loving woman who overlooks a man's faults and exaggerates his virtues stands no sort of chance when the high and mighty lord and master takes it into his head to be indignant. The one mistake she has made, the one aggravating circumstance she has been the cause of creating, blots out all thoughts and memories of the hours, minutes and seconds when she has saved for him, sacrificed her own comfort many a time in order to add to his enjoyment and counting no trouble great if he but repays her with a smile.

The love of a wife for a husband after they have journeyed together from the sentimental honeymoon to the prosaic realities of matrimony is more that of a mother for a child, and with this feeling firmly implanted in her breast she is much more willing to condone offenses and wipe out bitter remembrances than he who thinks that his wife is always right and wise. We trust that many a husband will read these lines, and we are talking to them this morning, and we hope that the wives and mothers who are anxious to stir up sluggish consciences will just mark this sermon and leave it lying about where masculine eyes are likely to rest upon it. There is no fear of trouble resulting, for if we do stir up a hornet's nest the sole cause of the disturbance will be too far out of reach to make it worth quarrelling about.—Philadelphia Times.

Curious Bank of England Notes.

No note, out of the 50,000 or 60,000 now issued daily, is ever issued twice. If, as a depositor, you should draw any amount in notes at the bank and pay them back into your account ten minutes afterward, they would be canceled. So also any other notes received by you from any other bank in London are always new ones, crisp from the Bank of England presses of the day before. The signature is out off immediately a note is paid in, and the cancellation department proceeds to file them in their regular order, taking notice and keeping account of all notes which have not been returned.

One of the curiosities of this department is a £25 note which was paid in after being out for 111 years. The bank note library is also here, with albums containing old bank notes of various large amounts, with the names of the noblemen for whom they were issued. There is also the £1,000,000 bank note, a bit of paper which, in its day, was worth \$5,000,000 and was issued for convenience in closing an undertaking of unusual moment. The records of this department are of invaluable assistance in checking forgery, and the canceled notes, which are kept for a period of about five years before being burned, are constantly under examination by Scotland Yard detectives in search of stolen money or other people whose notes have been lost. The strange stories of single notes which this department can furnish are many and are ready-made plots for any number of romances, but they are too numerous to be told in this article.—McClure's Magazine.

The Pyromaniac's Smile.

Fire Marshal Whitcomb has been pretty busy taking testimony in regard to fires lately, and while speaking about examining witnesses the other day he mentioned several curious things he had noticed. He says that in every case where he has discovered a pyromaniac he has his suspicions of the person's guilt aroused by a peculiar smile which plays around the corners of the mouth of the guilty one when under examination. It is hardly a smile, rather a peculiar puckering of the corners of the mouth, an expression almost indefinable, but it seems to mean, "Well, I'm too smart for you to catch me, anyhow." The marshal says he can recall a dozen cases where he noticed this smile, and at the time had no other cause to suspect a witness, yet by following those smiling eyes he has obtained the most convincing testimony of their guilt and almost invariably confession from the guilty ones themselves.—Boston Transcript.

A Kurdish Tent.

The tents of the Kurds, in which they seek the pasturage of the mountains in summer, vary much in size, though in appearance and shape they conform throughout to one plan. The covering of the tents consists of long, narrow strips of black goat's hair material sewed together lengthways. Along the center of the tent this roofing is supported on three to five poles, according to the size, and stretched out by ropes which, made fast to the edge of the roof, are pegged securely to the ground. The poles within the tent, being of some height, usually 8 to 10 feet, the edge of the tenting does not nearly reach the ground, but walls are formed of matting of reeds, held together by black goat's hair threads, which is often so arranged as to form patterns on the yellow mats.—Blackwood's Magazine.

Pretty Little Screen.

A pretty little screen for filling an odd corner in winter and for standing before the grate in summer is made of scrolly ironwork, as far as the stand is concerned, but in the middle of this is hung an oblong piece of satin de luxe. This is handsomely embroidered and tied to the crossbar which supports it with brightly colored ribbon. Such a stand is practically everlasting, and it is easy to contrive several panels of different styles, which can be tied on when a change is required.

Montesquieu wittily observes that by building professed madhouses men tacitly intimate that all who are out of their senses are to be confined only in those places.—Warton.

New Jersey ranks high among the manufacturing states, having 187,398 factory hands and making every year \$554,573,571 worth of goods.

Professor William McAfee, principal of Claverack college, Hudson, N. Y., is dead. He was connected with the college 27 years.

First Lieutenant Swift of the Ninth cavalry, U.S.A., committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart as Egypt Robinson, Neb.

There was a throng of invited guests last night on the occasion of the reception given by the House of Representatives and the State of New York to the diplomatic corps.

The name of ex-Governor Brown of Maryland is being seriously considered as the successor of Charles F. Meyer as president of the Baltimore and Ohio railway.

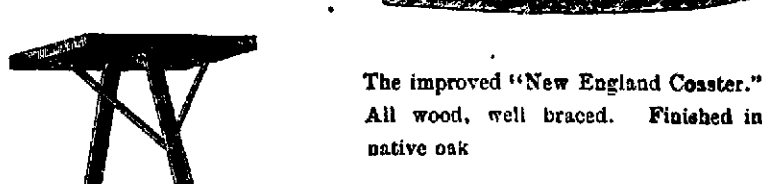
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MRS. DIMMICK.

When speaking of Mrs. Dimmick, General Harrison is reported on one occasion to have said: "She is a woman of rare good sense. She does not talk when I want to think."

A Wartlike Feeling.

CARACAS, Jan. 10.—England's manner of answering the United States in regard to the occurrences on the Guiana frontier has caused great excitement here. The newspapers devote leading articles to the movement and regard it as hostile. They urge the government to dispatch immediately a large body of troops, including heavy artillery, to watch the invaders and to resist their advance. Many armed Venezuelans have gone to the frontier, without the knowledge of the government, to act as a territorial guard. Cresspo's expected proclamation regarding the situation, and the official action that will be taken thereon, have not yet been made public.

Over a Thousand Perished.

TEHRAN, Jan. 10.—Two earthquakes have occurred in the district of Khalkhal. The large village of Janakabad was destroyed, several others were partially destroyed, and 800 persons were killed. The second earthquake was felt over an area of 100 miles. The town of Col was destroyed and 1000 houses were demolished. In addition, great damage was done to many villages. The loss of life was very great. There were 800 persons killed in Col alone, and large numbers of cattle and sheep also perished.

Making Good Progress.

HAGIAFA, Jan. 10.—The Nova Scotia legislature was opened yesterday by Lieutenant Governor Daly. The governor stated that although the year just closed had not been one of marked prosperity, there has been fair progress in the province. Mining operations were carried on with considerable vigor, but the coal output was somewhat less than that of the previous year. In the case of railway enterprises, substantial progress has been made. The revenue of the year was in excess of the expenditure.

Without a Peer.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 10.—A combination was effected yesterday by the owners of the Chapin, Hamilton and Ludington iron mines of the Menominee range in the Lake Superior region. The mines adjoin, and when connected and worked to their full capacity will probably constitute one of the best producing mines in the world.

The Katalahin Accepted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—Secretary Herbert yesterday accepted the ram Katalahin, which will be turned over to the government at once by the iron works, and the finishing touches to her put on at the Brooklyn navy yard. It is expected that the Katalahin will be placed in commission in about 10 days.

Republicans Snubbed.

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 10.—The Popular convention refused to endorse the Republican candidates, and nominated A. B. Booth for governor. The balance of the state ticket completely ignores the candidates selected a few days ago by the Republican conference committee.

Errors in His Books.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 10.—Benjamin Johnson, resident partner of the New York banking and brokerage firm of Kendall & Whitcomb, has disappeared from this city. An investigation of the books of the Philadelphia branch has developed errors in Johnson's account.

Wanted to Resign.

MADRID, Jan. 10.—At a meeting of the cabinet yesterday it was decided not to accept the resignation of Martinez Campos as captain general of the forces in Cuba and governor general of the island. It was also decided to increase the naval and military forces in Cuba.

Abyssinians Routed.

ROME, Jan. 10.—News is received here that the Italians in Abyssinia have defeated Emperor Menelik's forces at Makleh, the engagement taking place on Jan. 7. The Shoa lost heavily, while the Italians had only three native troops killed and a few wounded.

Pension Bill in the House.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The general pension bill for the year ending June 30, 1897, as reported to the house yesterday, carries an appropriation of \$141,825,500, being \$88,750 below the estimates and \$65,768 less than the appropriation for the current fiscal year.

Chief Justice Indicted.

CHATTANOOGA, Jan. 10.—The grand jury returned two indictments against D. L. Snodgrass, chief justice of the supreme court of Tennessee, one for carrying concealed weapons and the other for felonious assault upon John R. Beasler.

CLEVELAND EXPLAINS.

Syndicate Has Nothing to Do With Disposition of Bond Issue.

New Rule on Quorum Question in the House.

Jones of Nevada Creates a Hitch in the Senate Finance Committee.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 10.—The debate on the Elkins resolution in the senate last Friday, when the administration was accused by several senators of having entered into an agreement with a syndicate to float the expected issue of bonds, is the subject of a letter written by President Cleveland to Senator Caffery (La.). The knowledge that such a letter had been addressed to Mr. Caffery was obtained last night, and the letter was made public by the latter. It is in the handwriting of the president and covers six pages of closely written note paper. It is in full as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION.

MY DEAR SENATOR—I have read today in the Congressional Record the debate in the senate on Friday concerning the financial situation and bond issue. I am amazed at the intemperance that leads even excited partisanship to adopt as a basis of attack the unfounded accusations and assertions of a maliciously-meditated and secret newspaper.

No banker or financier, nor any other man being, has been invited to visit Washington for the purpose of arranging in any way or manner for the disposition of bonds to meet the present or future needs of the gold reserve. No arrangements of any kind have been made for the disposition of such bonds to any syndicate or through the agency of any agency.

No assurance of such a disposal of bonds has been directly or indirectly given to any person. In point of fact, a decided leaning towards a popular loan and advertising for bids had been plainly exhibited on the part of the administration at all times when the subject was under discussion.

Those charged with the responsibility of maintaining the gold reserve, so far as legislation is concerned, have been fully and fairly conferred with each other, and, as occasion permitted, with those having knowledge of financial affairs and present monetary conditions as to the best and most favorable means of selling bonds for gold.

The annual importance of a successful result, if the attempt is again made, ought to be apparent to every American citizen who believes upon the subject a moment's patriotic thought. The secretary of the treasury, from the first moment that the necessity of another sale of bonds seemed to be approaching, devoted his entire time to the subject, and he has successfully disposed of.

After full consideration he came to the conclusion, to which I fully agree, that the amount of gold in the reserve being \$20,000,000 more than it was in February last, when a sale of bonds was made to a syndicate, and other conditions differing from those then existing, justifying the new sale, and now about to be issued for sale by popular subscription.

This is the entire matter, and all those particular could have been easily obtained by any member of the senate by simple inquiry. It is not a matter of any one's rescinding from his own standpoint, brought forward to him by the government, but a matter of the belief that the government would be as length constrained to again sell bonds to a syndicate, I suppose he would have a perfect right to do so, but further proceedings on his part to put himself in position to negotiate.

I expect an issue of bonds will be advertised for sale tomorrow, and that bids will be invited to call for them at the rate of 100 to 110, but for such other and different bonds as congress may authorize during the pendency of the advertisement.

By having taken this opportunity to confer with you, I have done so in the present session of congress, and, not to your participation in the debate of last Friday, I have thought it not amiss to put you in possession of the facts and circumstances herein contained.

Yours, very truly,

GROVER CLEVELAND.

New Quorum Rule.

At the beginning of this congress the house adopted for its parliamentary code the rules of the last Republican congress—the Fifty-first—with such changes as it might adopt on the recommendation of the committee on rules.

These changes were reported to the house by the committee yesterday, but with one exception are unimportant. The exception is the new rule of establishing the quorum, which, after the precedent laid down by Speaker Reed in the Fifty-first congress, became a most important point of parliamentary practice. In the last congress Speaker Crisp achieved the same result which Mr. Reed obtained by a rule under which two members were designated to note those present and not voting on a rollcall. This committee on rules now propose a rule introduced by J. R. Tucker (Va.) in the Forty-sixth congress. It is:

Whenever a quorum fails to vote on any question and a quorum is not present, and objection is made for that cause, there shall be a call of the house, and the sergeant-at-arms shall forthwith proceed to bring in absent members, and the yeas and nays on the pending question shall at the same time be considered as ordered. The clerk shall call the roll, and each member, when he answers to his name, may vote on the pending question, and after the rollcall is completed each member arrested shall be brought by the sergeant-at-arms before the house, whereupon he shall be given an opportunity to vote, and his vote shall be recorded.

If those voting on the question and those who are present and decline to vote are together a majority of the house, the speaker shall declare that a quorum is constituted, and the pending question shall be decided as a majority of those voting shall appear. Another provision of the new rule under the call shall be considered as disposed with.

Another new rule provides that the speaker shall entertain only one motion to adjourn and no other dilatory motion after a report has been made by the committee on rules, until the report has been fully disposed.

The rule by which the previous question can be ordered only by "a majority of the members present, if a quorum," is changed to "a majority of members voting, if a quorum be present."

The requirement upon the sergeant-at-arms to give bonds, approved by the speaker, in the sum of \$50,000, is dropped, because after the Elkins defection, several years ago, a law was passed requiring that official to give bonds to the treasury department.

It is understood that the Republican members of the rules committee will adopt a policy of giving sufficient time for debate when important bills are before the house, so that there will be no grounds for complaint, such as have arisen in this congress when the revenue bills were reported, and were heard in the last congress—that the committee were disposed to rush measures. This is largely in the nature of a concession to new members who are generally most anxious to make speeches, and who number about 170 in this house.

Stewart Had His Say.

The debate on the senate free coinage substitute for the house bond bill was again postponed yesterday, owing to the intervention of Mr. Stewart, the Nevada Populist, who insisted upon making a speech in favor of the Elkins resolution, as amended by the Butler amendment, to prohibit the further sale of bonds, except by the express consent of congress. The free coinage substitute was called up at the conclusion of Mr. Stewart's speech, and now has the right of way, so that the debate upon it can be postponed. In the morning hour, Mr. Baker introduced a

for common selling of liquor. The league has a large amount of evidence prepared, and George B. Cox, its attorney, states that they will continue the presentation of testimony before the grand jury, including in the list every liquor seller in the city.

Bridgeport's Equine Scourge.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 10.—The state veterinary surgeon has been summoned to investigate what appears to be an epidemic among the horses in the Park City stables at East Bridgeport. There were 40 animals in the stable last Sunday when the sickness among them first appeared. Since that time 30 cases have resulted fatally and 16 more are serious. It is hinted that poison had been mixed up with the horses' food by a discharged employee.

Half a Million Needed.

NEW HAVEN, Jan. 10.—This city is experiencing a difficulty in securing the money necessary to carry on its business. Half a million is urgently needed, and the city auditor finds he cannot place the loan at a good figure. He thinks he will be obliged to pay 50 per cent. The city must have the money during the next three or four days.

"Worked" the Charitable.

BOSTON, Jan. 10.—The police yesterday arrested James Fox, a 16-year-old Buffalo boy, who ran away from home last summer. Young Fox has been begging for several weeks, and was employed by men to whom he turned over his collections every night. When arrested, one of his boot heels was found "raised," and he carried a cane in order to make the public believe him a cripple.

One Woman Suicided.

LYNN, Mass., Jan. 10.—A fire which originated from some unknown cause in a French boarding house on Pinkham court at 8.30 o'clock this morning caused the death, by suffocation, of one of the inmates, a woman, and another woman was probably fatally injured while trying to escape. She was removed to the Lynn hospital, where no hopes of her recovery are entertained.

Given Up.

GLOUCESTER, Mass., Jan. 10.—Another staunch vessel and her crew have sailed from this port never to return. Schooner J. H. Corey left, Aug. 30, for the Grand Banks, touched at Liverpool, N. S., and has not been heard from since. After hoping against hope, the vessel's owners, Oakes & Foster, have given her up as lost. The crew list contained 12 names.

Chierilli to Be Liberated.

WATERBURY, Conn., Jan. 10.—Vincenzo Chierilli, an Italian, who was last summer sentenced to serve six months in jail for alleged assault on a woman, will be liberated as a result of a not pro filed by the prosecuting attorney. It has developed that the woman's testimony which led to Chierilli's conviction was false.

Buried by a Landslide.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Jan. 10.—Cornelius Carroll and Daniel Danahy were buried by a landslide while working in Gale's hill yesterday, and owe their lives to the quick work of their fellow-laborers. The men were buried under three feet of sand for four minutes, and were exhausted when dug out.

Robbers From Boston.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 10.—Detectives Arnold and Cronin returned from New Haven yesterday with the three men who robbed the Chinamen of \$600 here. They gave their names as Charles Mason, Thomas Clark and William Edmonds, and said they came from Boston.

Got \$750 Worth.

BROOKLINE, Mass., Jan. 10.—The residence of Arthur P. Jones on Washington street was entered last night and \$750 in money and jewelry were taken. The entrance was made through a rear window while the family were absent.

New England Briefs.

A lively stable and steamboat wharf were destroyed by fire at Nantucket, Mass. Fire in the laquering room of Holmes, Booth & Hayden at Waterbury, Conn., did \$10,000 damage.

Architect's estimates are being made for the erection of a new Masonic temple at Boston on the present site.

Andrew Young, aged 50, a milkman, was instantly killed at the Lunenburg (Mass.) station by an express train.

Arthur H. Patten, ex-postmaster of Taunton, Conn., was arrested on charges brought by the postoffice department.

The man who hanged himself at the Warren (R. I.) jail has been identified as John Feeley, a weaver, of Cohasset, N. Y.

Edwin J. Venable of Hyde Park, Mass., was arrested on the charge of making a fraudulent use of the mails and held in \$500.

Cornelius Sullivan was knocked down and run over by an electric car at Manchester, N. H., sustaining probably fatal injuries.

John R. Drexel of Philadelphia has purchased a summer residence on Ocean point, Newport, R. I., at a reported price of \$225,000.

The Providence postal authorities have given their formal approval of the efforts of the board of trade for better postal facilities in that city.

The census just taken at Indian Island, Oldtown, Me., shows: Inhabitants, 333, oldest, Molly Sasep, 94; youngest, 3 days in 1895, 10 births, 6 deaths.

The Star Brewing company of West Virginia has purchased 5000 feet of land in Boston for the purpose of erecting a brewery. The building will cost \$50,000.

It is rumored at Manchester, N. H., that an attempt was made to have the grand jury indict Dr. J. C. Moore for the over-issue of Union Publishing company's stock.

Second Assistant Postmaster General Nelson officially announced that Boston has the finest trolley mail service in the country, both in promptness of delivery and in equipment.

Ferguson and Sears have secured the plant of the Carter-Ootton Gin company at Bridgewater, Mass., and will engage in the iron business. The buildings have been closed for four years.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Steamer Richard Peck struck a sunken wreck and sank. Fifteen new schoolhouses were built in New York last year. One man was killed by the collapse of a bridge near Bedford, O. Thirty nutcrackers on the Russian steel cruiser Burik are to be executed. Greenway's Manitoba government has a good chance for carrying the elections. The ice harvest on the Hudson has commenced. The ice is eight inches thick. Philadelphia is to have a new industry—the manufacture of street railway cars. The Society for the Prevention of Crime lauds the New York police commissioners. Thomas O. Platt says Governor Morton's presidential candidacy means business. There are 10,948 more females than males in New York, according to the board of health census. Adam W. Stanhope has signed a contract to catch for the New York Baseball club next season. Ex-Governor W. B. Marshall of Minnesota died at Pasadena, Cal., where he went about two years ago for his health.

FLOURISHED A PISTOL.

Mrs. Libbey of Malden Threatened to "Fix" a Truant Officer.

Used Language More Expressive Than Elegant.

Woman May Possibly Be Suffering From Mental Trouble.

MALDEN, Mass., Jan. 10.—Truant Officer T. E. Powell had an exciting experience yesterday, when he paid an official visit to the home of Mrs. John M. Libbey, who lives on Stevens court. Mrs. Libbey thrust a revolver under his nose and made all sorts of hair-raising threats.

Mrs. Libbey has three children, two boys and one girl. They are not very regular in their attendance at school, and a few days ago Truant Officer Powell went to find out why they were absent. He was turned out by their mother.

Yesterday the teacher of the Greenwood school told Mr. Powell that the children were seen at play every evening, so he went again to their home. He was received at the door by Mrs. Libbey, who invited him to come into the kitchen, out of the cold hall. He stepped into the kitchen, and she immediately began a tirade against him and the teacher, calling them both liars.

With Profane Emphases.

Finally she got so excited that she rushed into an adjoining room and pulled a revolver from a bureau. Pointing it at the officer, she exclaimed: "I've had enough of these complaints, and I know how to stop them. I'll fix you!"

Mr. Powell told her to put up the pistol, saying that they would try and reason out the matter, but it was to no use. She continued to cry: "I'll fix you!" and cocked the revolver. Then she placed it near his face and savagely told him that he would not bother her any more.

Once more Powell tried to reason with the woman, telling her she was excited, but she would not listen to him. Seeing that it was of no use to talk, he deliberately turned his back to her, and she cocked the revolver and walked to the door, where he turned and told her she would hear from him later.

After he had gone, she went to the railway station and telegraphed to Boston for her husband to come out immediately. Mrs. Libbey is supposed to be crazy. She was once confined in the Danvers asylum.

ON BEACON HILL.

Paripatetic Committee—Mileage and Railroad Passes—Minor Mention.

BOSTON, Jan. 10.—Among the important bills introduced in the state legislature were those: Relative to reopening navigation of the Connecticut river as far as Holyoke or Springfield; that no official or employee of a municipality or state shall participate as an officer in a political caucus, convention or act as a committee member; for temporary disfranchisement of men twice or more times convicted of drunkenness; and resolutions protesting against the Turkish atrocities.

The house voted that when it adjourns it be to meet at 11 o'clock Friday, and that until further orders the hour of meeting on Fridays be 11 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Dallinger, the senate refused to concur with the house in referring the report to the metropolitan district commission, the greater Boston commission, so-called, to the committee on metropolitan affairs. The senator said that in the report referred to the commission advocated the establishment of a new county. The scheme, he said, would materially affect three of the largest counties of the state, and he, therefore, moved that the report be referred to the committee on metropolitan affairs and counties sitting jointly. The motion was carried.

An order authorizing the committee on water supply to travel within the commonwealth and an order authorizing the committee on public charitable institutions to travel within the state and to visit Hartford were adopted.

The following order was adopted without debate: "Ordered, that before the payroll for traveling expenses of the members of the present legislature is made up for consideration by the secretary of state, the clerk of the two branches shall obtain from each member of the senate and house of representatives, respectively, a certificate that such member has not received since his election as a member of the present legislature any pass, mileage book or ticket entitling him to transportation upon any railroad without paying for the same the price that is demanded of the public generally."

PEACE AND RIGHTEOUSNESS

Should Be Prayed For by Christians on Both Sides of the Ocean.

BOSTON, Jan. 10.—In relation to the war talk attending the Venezuelan difficulties, President Clark of the Christian Endeavor has received a letter from F. F. Busey, Rochester, Eng., president of the British national council of the Christian Endeavor, upon this subject. In substance, Mr. Busey says:

"Among all these threatnings of strife and discord I send you and the 2,000,000 Christian Endeavorers on your side a few lines to say that their brethren and sisters here would almost prefer death to entering that an English gun had been fired against the nation they belong to and the broad America so many of us know and love. May God avert so direful a calamity."

"But then not only to pray for peace, but remember that we will join them at the treaty seat in earnest entreaty that this to us inexpressible alarm may be the occasion for a new and stronger alliance between all Christian hearts on either side of the Atlantic. Let this be a 'holy alliance' that shall leave its traces on the future history of our world."

To this letter President Clark replied the following reply: "The officers of the United Society of Christian Endeavor heartily reciprocate your sentiments. We pray for peace and for the righteous arbitration of all difficulties between nations."

Italian Stabbed in Havenhill.

HAVENHILL, Mass., Jan. 10.—Edward Kent and Frank Brady were arrested last night for alleged assault upon an Italian with a knife. The men, it is claimed, also assaulted a Jew named Cohen. Both men were drunk and they claim to belong in Laconia, N. H.

Heads Coming Off.

BOSTON, Jan. 10.—Four men employed by the water department of the city were ordered discharged by the civil service commissioners yesterday, on the ground that they are illegally employed. The men were rated as messengers, but were really employed in doing clerical work, which the commissioners claim is in violation of the law. This is the beginning of a crusade which the commissioners are about to carry on against every person illegally employed in the various city departments.

More to Follow.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 10.—The local liquor dealers are jubilant over the rumor that the Lew and Order League has lost both the cases in which they presented evidence before the grand jury yesterday looking toward the indictment of parties

WEATHER FORECAST.

(Special Despatch to the Transcript.)

COLD.
 Boston, Jan. 10, 12 Noon.
 Washington, forecast for Massachusetts: Fair, colder tonight and Saturday.

POST OFFICE SERVICE

NORTH ADAMS MAILS.

MAILS ARRIVE.

8 a. m., New York City, 130 Way Stations on Boston & Albany R. R., Troy, N. Y., 8.30, New York City, Boston, South and West via Pittsfield, 9.55, New York and West, via Pittsfield R. R., 10.27, Troy, N. Y., 11.45, Bridgeville, Stamford, Hartwellville and Readsville, Vt.

12.05 p. m., Boston, New York, Pittsfield and Southern Mass., Maine, New Hampshire and Way Stations on Pittsfield R. R., 1.30, Florida, Mass., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2.15, Pittsfield, 4.00, New York, Southern and Western states, 5.00, Pittsfield, Worcester, Springfield, Holyoke, Connecticut, Rhode Island and Southern Mass., 7.00, Troy, Williamstown, Williamstown Station and Blackton, 8.00, Boston, Maine, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Way, Mail via Pittsfield R. R., 9.15, Boston & Albany R. R., Way stations west of Pittsfield, 11.40, Boston.

Sunday—8 a. m., Way Stations on Boston & Albany R. R., New York City and Troy, N. Y.

MAILS CLOSE.

8 a. m., Boston, Pittsfield, Adams, New York, Albany and Southern Mass., 6.00, New York, Albany, Troy, Williamstown, with unknown station, Southern Mass., 7.00, Southern and Western states, 8.15, New York, Albany and all points West and South via Boston & Albany R. R., 9.30, Boston Canada, Readsville, and all points East, via Pittsfield R. R., 11.30, Boston, Maine, New Hampshire and Rhode Island, 11.50, Pittsfield, Adams, Readsville and Southern Berkshire, 11.55, New York and all points West and South.

1.00 p. m., Bridgeville, Mass., Stamford, Hartwellville and Readsville, Vt., Florida, Mass., Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 2.05, New York City, Southern states, Worcester, Springfield, Connecticut, Rhode Island, Readsville and all points East, via Pittsfield R. R., 4.40, Troy, and all points West and South, 7.40, Boston, New York City and all points East, West, North and South, reaches New York at 7 a. m. 11.15, Boston and East, New York and all points West and South.

Sunday, 7 p. m., New York City, Boston, Maine, New Hampshire, and all points West and South. CANADIAN MAILS close at 11.35 a. m., 7.45 p. m., daily except Sundays, Sundays close at 7 p. m.

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CARRIERS' WINDOW SERVICE from 7 to 9 p. m.

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